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C O R R E C T E D C O P Y (MRN 10326 VICE 10325)E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PEPR IS EG
SUBJECT: WEIZMAN ON HIS ATTENDANCE AT CAMP DAVID MEETING

1. DURING AUGUST 11 DISCUSSION WITH WEIZMAN ON SOUTH
LEBANON, HE PREDICTABLY ASKED WHETHER GAMASY WOULD BE
ATTENDING CAMP DAVID SUMMIT. I SAID THAT WE DID NOT YET
KNOW WHAT OFFICIALS SADAT WOULD TAKE WITH HIM, BUT WHEN WE DID HAVE
THAT INFORMATION, WE WOULD PASS IT ON TO THE GOI IMMEDIATELY.
WEIZMAN, ONLY HALF JOKING, SAID, "IF GAMASY ISN'T THERE,
I WILL PROBABLY BE GOING FISHING."

2. I DOUBT IF WEIZMAN HAS BEEN TOLD EXPLICITLY BY BEGIN
THAT HIS ATTENDANCE AT CAMP DAVID TALKS DEPENDS ON GAMASY'S
PRESENCE THERE. BUT WEIZMAN CLEARLY WORRIES THAT IF THE
HERUT HARD-LINERS ARE LOOKING FOR AN EXCUSE TO KEEP HIM
AT HOME AND AWAY FROM SADAT, GAMASY'S ABSENCE AT THE SUMMIT
WOULD GIVE THEM A PLAUSIBLE REASON.

3. I KNOW THE DECISION, WHICH ONLY SADAT CAN MAKE, ON WHETHER
OR NOT TO INCLUDE GAMASY IN HIS PARTY DEPENDS TO SOME DEGREE
ON THE SITUATION IN EGYPT IN EARLY SEPTEMBER. NONETHELESS,
I RECOMMEND THAT HERMANN EILTS TELL SADAT THAT IT IS IMPOSSIBLE
THAT IF GAMASY REMAINS BEHIND, WEIZMAN MAY NOT BE AT CAMP

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DAVID. I THINK IT WOULD BE HELPFUL IF SADAT KNEW THIS BEFORE
HE DECIDES ONE WAY OR ANOTHER.
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